

**Applicant Details**

First Name	<b>Dominique</b>		
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Contact Phone Number	<b>2025038979</b>		

**Applicant Education**

BA/BS From	<b>University of Notre Dame</b>
Date of BA/BS	<b>May 2010</b>
JD/LLB From	<b>Northwestern University School of Law</b> <a href="http://www.law.northwestern.edu/">http://www.law.northwestern.edu/</a>
Date of JD/LLB	<b>May 13, 2022</b>
Class Rank	<b>School does not rank</b>
Law Review/Journal	<b>Yes</b>
Journal(s)	<b>Journal of Criminal Law &amp; Criminology</b>
Moot Court Experience	<b>Yes</b>
Moot Court Name(s)	<b>Miner Moot Court</b>

**Bar Admission****Prior Judicial Experience**

Judicial Internships/ Externships	<b>No</b>
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Post-graduate Judicial  
Law Clerk                      **No**

### **Specialized Work Experience**

### **References**

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Clinical Assistant Professor of Law, Northwestern Pritzker School of  
Law  
Professor, U.S. Supreme Court Clinic (two semesters)  
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any application documents are true and correct.**

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May 9, 2022

The Honorable John D. Bates  
United States District Court, District of Columbia  
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse  
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 4114  
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Bates:

I am a third-year law student at the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law writing to apply for a clerkship in your chambers for the one-year term beginning August 30, 2022. Your ruling the elimination of DACA arbitrary and capricious motivated my decision to pivot from policy advisory work to the legal profession. My decision to leave an eight-year career at Homeland Security may have felt personal, but it was rooted in a conviction that our government institutions should remain detached from antidemocratic personal preferences. It was unsurprising to find administrative law my favorite subject in law school. I am especially interested to clerk in your chambers not only to learn from your illustrious career in administrative law and national security, but also your jurisprudence renowned for balanced reasoning and long-term perspective about our democracy.

My federal litigation experience at a law firm and Northwestern's U.S. Supreme Court clinic, in addition to my experience in research, analysis, and writing prior to and during law school, have prepared me to make valuable contributions to your chambers. As a Summer Associate at Loevy & Loevy, I researched and analyzed statutes to write briefs and dispositive motions. In the clinic, I write certiorari petitions and draft arguments for parties facing federal and state governments. Serving as the Communications Editor for my journal, I craft all communications with our authors and subscribers and created a style guide for our members. As a corporate counsel extern at a technology company, research and analysis were necessary to produce a compliance training program and compose licensing applications. At the International Disability Alliance, I drafted positions for the United Nations and civil society stakeholders regarding compliance with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. During my graduate studies at the Kennedy School, I worked with the late John Ruggie on advancing global governance of human rights in business, and my thesis examined the impact of intellectual property provisions of a trade agreement on access to medicines. Throughout my eight years at the Department of Homeland Security, I wrote many decision memos for and on behalf of executives, including Cabinet officials. While the substance and styles varied across these contexts, successful writing requires accuracy, clarity, deliberate and thorough research, thoughtfulness, and – though perhaps sacrificed in this paragraph – concision.

I enclose in this application my resume, writing sample, and unofficial transcripts. Northwestern will separately submit recommendations from Cliff Zimmerman, Emerson Tiller, and Matthew Topic. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dominique A. Gilbert

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### EDUCATION

#### **NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, IL**

*Candidate for Juris Doctor*, May 2022, GPA: 3.544; *Recipient*, George A. Basta Scholarship

*Communications Editor*, JOURNAL OF CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINOLOGY

*Comment: Shifting U.S. Customs of Bigotry Protection: A due diligence approach to discrimination-infused rights violations*

- *President*, American Civil Liberties Union of Northwestern; *President*, Disability Law Society
- *High Technology Externship*, Momentus Space (counsel office, export controls), San Francisco Immersion Program
- *Board Member* (2021-22), *Competitor* (2020-21), Miner Moot Court

#### **HARVARD UNIVERSITY John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA**

*Master in Public Policy*, May 2016

*Student Fellow*, BELFER CENTER FOR SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (research on human rights governance with Professor John Ruggie); *Lara Warner Scholar* for Policy Analysis Exercise (individual applied thesis) promoting women's health; *Distinction Award* for Core Spring Exercise (team consulting project) on pandemic preparedness

- *Chair*, Human Rights Professional Interest Council; *Board*, Diversity Committee
- *Graduate*, From Harvard Square to the Oval Office (campaign practicum for women)

#### **UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, Notre Dame, IN**

*Bachelor of Arts*, May 2010, Economics, French; Minor in Peace Studies

### EXPERIENCE

#### **NORTHWESTERN U.S. SUPREME COURT CLINIC, Chicago, IL**

*Student Advocate*, August 2021-Present

Compose cert petitions on team of students and attorneys. Perform moot to prepare attorneys for oral arguments. Reach out to parties from circuit and state high court cases to generate clients for the clinic and amici writers.

#### **INTERNATIONAL DISABILITY ALLIANCE, New York, NY**

*Advocacy Research Intern*, June-August 2021

Crafted positions to the United Nations regarding Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities compliance. Developed accessibility best practices with a large internet company to build global accessibility standards.

#### **LOEVY & LOEVY, Chicago, IL / Remote**

*Summer Associate*, May-August 2020

Drafted dispositive motions for plaintiffs' access to records via federal and state statutes. Researched legal questions regarding government accountability, First Amendment, and civil rights, for litigation and publications.

#### **Independent Contractor, DC / TN / MI / NY / IL / Remote**

*Policy Consultant*, April 2018-August 2019

Wrote policy positions with candidate in their first U.S. Congressional primary race who finished second of three candidates. Analyzed data using STATA and made 80+ graphs showing impact of inclusive corporate governance on company performance. Advised on strategic plans, regulatory compliance, and harassment prevention.

#### **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS), Washington, DC**

*Policy Advisor, U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP) OFFICE OF POLICY AND PLANS*, September 2016-April 2018

Led inter-agency group creating Resiliency policy to provide mental health resources to law enforcement personnel and remove consequences of obtaining treatment on security clearance. Streamlined CFIUS procedures. Coordinated CBP team briefing incoming political officials before and during 2016-17 Presidential Transition.

*International Relations Program Manager, CBP OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS*, August 2013-August 2016

Developed supply chain security international standards via World Customs Organization alongside U.S. government partners, foreign officials, and industry. Negotiated T-TIP customs terms. Part-time mission support (remote) during MPP.

*Management Analyst, DHS OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT, Acquisition Professional Career Program*, June 2010-July 2013

Produced Congressional reports and testimony. Conducted risk assessments. Managed contracts with life cycle costs <\$200M.

### ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Quantitative analysis, French language, Federal Acquisition Regulations, Security clearance (inactive), Public Speaking

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Name:	<b>Dominique Gilbert</b>	Total Earned Credit Hours:	74.500
Matriculation Date:	2017-08-28	Total Transfer Credit Hours:	0.000
Program(s):	Juris Doctor	Cumulative Credit Hours:	74.500
		Cumulative GPA:	3.544

Term	Term GPA	Course	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Professor
2017 Fall	0.000	BUSCOM 510	Contracts	3.000	W	Nzelibe,Jide Okechuku
		CRIM 520	Criminal Law	3.000	W	Tuerkheimer,Deborah
		LAWSTUDY 540	Communication& Legal Reasoning	2.000	W	Narko,Kathleen D
		LITARB 530	Civil Procedure	3.000	W	Hoskins,Richard J
		PPTYTORT 550	Torts	3.000	W	Mulaney,Ellen S
2019 Fall	3.237	BUSCOM 510	Contracts	3.000	B	Kadens,Emily Elizabeth
		CRIM 520	Criminal Law	3.000	B+	Kleinfeld,Joshua Seth
		LAWSTUDY 540	Communication& Legal Reasoning	2.000	A-	Kanter,Martha D
		LITARB 530	Civil Procedure	3.000	B+	Provenzano,Susan E
		PPTYTORT 550	Torts	3.000	B	Friedman,Ezra
2020 Spring	0.000	CONPUB 500	Constitutional Law	3.000	CR	Redish,Martin H
		CONPUB 619	Employment Discrimination	3.000	CR	Provenzano,Susan E
		CONPUB 645	Law and Social Change	3.000	CR	Rubinowitz,Leonard S
		LAWSTUDY 541	Communication& Legal Reasoning	2.000	CR	Kanter,Martha D
		PPTYTORT 530	Property	3.000	CR	Barsa,Michael R
2020 Summer	3.330	BUSCOM 601S	Business Associations	3.000	B+	Schanzenbach,Max M
2020 Fall	3.454	BUSCOM 690	Basic Federal Income Taxation	3.000	B+	Lawsy,Sarah Beth
		CONPUB 650	Federal Jurisdiction	3.000	B	Pfander,James E
		CONPUB 702	IHR: Comparing Eur; L.Amer; US	3.000	A-	Sawyer,Stephen P
		CONPUB 734	Anti-Discrimination Law	3.000	A-	Zimmerman,Clifford
		LAWSTUDY 717	AI and Legal Reasoning	2.000	A-	Linna,Daniel Waino
2021 Spring	3.833	BUSCOM 512	Space Commerce Team Project	2.000	A	Segal,Randy Schneider
		BUSCOM 513	Space Commerce	2.000	B+	Fishkin,Alexander
		BUSCOM 779	Practicum: High Tech	4.000	A	Tiller II,Emerson H
		BUSCOM 780	Business & Law of Venture Deal	1.250	A-	Wu,Michael
		BUSCOM 782K	Entrep:Build Inno,Team&Culture	1.250	B+	Scanlan,Paul Michael
		BUSCOM 783K	Launching and Leading Startups	2.500	A	Xenakis,Michael

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2021 Fall	3.667	BUSCOM 790	Intro to Social Entrepreneurs	1.250	A	Klahr, Suzanne
		PPTYTORT 664	Information Privacy Seminar	1.250	A	Cole, Cynthia J
		CONPUB 764	Saving the News	1.000	A-	Minow, Martha
		LAWSTUDY 924	Legal Technology	2.000	A-	Bowman, Jesse
		LITARB 605	Trial Advocacy ITA	4.000	B+	Lubet, Steven
		LITARB 635	Evidence	3.000	A-	Burns, Robert P
		LITARB 722	Clinic: Supreme Court	4.000	A	Wang, Xiao
		BUSCOM 598	Int'l Busn & Nat'l Security Law	2.000		Claussen, Kathleen Elisabeth
		CONPUB 600	Administrative Law	3.000		Lee, Yoon-Ho Alex
		LAWSTUDY 633	Colloquium: Law and Economics	2.000		Friedman, Ezra
2022 Spring	0.000	LITARB 599	Legal Ethics for Litigators	2.000		Hoeflich, Adam Lawrence
		LITARB 722	Clinic: Supreme Court	4.000		Wang, Xiao
		PPTYTORT 642	Medical Innovation II	3.000		Gunn, Jonathan

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#### STUDENT INFORMATION

**Name :** Dominique A. Gilbert

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<b>Fall 2007:</b> Saint Louis University							
Subject	Course	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	R	
BAMG	20100	DSCI207-Intro:Business Stat	TR	3.000	0.000		
ECON	10015	ECON190-Pncpl of Economics	TR	3.000	0.000		
ELEC	19999	HR190-Crossroads:Intro to Hnrs	TR	3.000	0.000		
ELEC	19999	CMM100-Intro to Human Communic	TR	3.000	0.000		
ELEC	19999	CMM120-Public Speaking	TR	3.000	0.000		
ELEC	19999	FREN315-Text, Voice & Self-Exp	TR	3.000	0.000		
ELEC	19999	POLS293-Politics & Ethics	TR	3.000	0.000		
MATH	10350	MATH132-Survey of Calculus	TR	3.000	0.000		
PHIL	20207	HR231-Hnrs Intro to Philosophy	TR	3.000	0.000		
ROFR	20300	FREN310-Discov the Frch-SpkWI	TR	3.000	0.000		
THEO	10001	THEO100-Theological Foundation	TR	3.000	0.000		
		<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA Hours</b>	<b>Qualit y Points</b>	<b>GPA</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>		33.000	33.000	33.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
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<b>Fall 2007:</b> Illinois Central College							
Subject	Course	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	R	
CHEM	10101	CHEM115-Fndtn of Chemistry	TR	4.000	0.000		
HIST	10200	HIST118-Modrn WestrnCivilz	TR	3.000	0.000		
HIST	10600	HIST201-American Hist to 1865	TR	3.000	0.000		
HIST	10605	HIST202-American HistSc 1865	TR	3.000	0.000		
SC	10100	EASC111-Survey Earth	TR	4.000	0.000		



Science				Attempt Hours	Passed Hours	Earned Hours	GPA Hours	Quality Points	GPA		
Current Term:				17.000	17.000	17.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
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INSTITUTION CREDIT <a href="#">-Top-</a>											
Fall Semester 2007											
College:				College of Arts and Letters							
Major:				Economics							
Academic Standing:				Good Standing							
Subject	Course	Campus	Level	Title				Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	R
ECON	20011	Main	UG	Principles of Microeconomics				B	3.000	9.000	
MATH	10260	Main	UG	Elements of Calc II - Business				B-	3.000	8.001	
PHIL	20101	Main	UG	Introduction to Philosophy				A-	3.000	11.001	
ROFR	27500	Main	UG	Women in French Culture				B+	3.000	9.999	
ROFR	30310	Main	UG	Textual Analysis				B+	3.000	9.999	
Term Totals (Undergraduate)											
					Attempt Hours	Passed Hours	Earned Hours	GPA Hours	Quality Points	GPA	
Current Term:					15.000	15.000	15.000	15.000	48.000	3.200	
Cumulative:					15.000	15.000	15.000	15.000	48.000	3.200	
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Spring Semester 2008											
College:				College of Arts and Letters							
Major:				Economics							
Academic Standing:				Good Standing							
Subject	Course	Campus	Level	Title				Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	R
CSEM	23102	Main	UG	Perfect God, Imperfect World				A-	3.000	11.001	
ECON	20020	Main	UG	Principles of Macroeconomics				B+	3.000	9.999	
ECON	30010	Main	UG	Intermediate Micro Theory				B	3.000	9.000	
IIPS	20501	Main	UG	International Relations				B+	3.000	9.999	

ROFR	21205	Main	UG	Angers: Atelier	S	1.000	0.000		
ROFR	30320	Main	UG	Advanced Grammar & Writing	B	3.000	9.000		
<b>Term Totals (Undergraduate)</b>									
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA Hours</b>	<b>Quality Points</b>	<b>GPA</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				16.000	16.000	16.000	15.000	48.999	3.267
<b>Cumulative:</b>				31.000	31.000	31.000	30.000	96.999	3.233
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<b>Fall Semester 2008</b>									
<b>College:</b>				College of Arts and Letters					
<b>Major:</b>				Economics					
<b>Academic Standing:</b>				Good Standing					
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Campus</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Quality Points</b>	<b>R</b>	
ECON	30020	Main	UG	Intermediate Macro Theory	B+	3.000	9.999		
ECON	30331	Main	UG	Econometrics	B	3.000	9.000		
IIPS	30101	Main	UG	Intro to Peace Studies	A	3.000	12.000		
IIPS	40801	Main	UG	Conflict Resol:Theory/Practice	B+	3.000	9.999		
ROFR	30720	Main	UG	Survey of French Literature II	B+	3.000	9.999		
<b>Term Totals (Undergraduate)</b>									
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA Hours</b>	<b>Quality Points</b>	<b>GPA</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				15.000	15.000	15.000	15.000	50.997	3.400
<b>Cumulative:</b>				46.000	46.000	46.000	45.000	147.99	3.289
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<b>Spring Semester 2009</b>									
<b>College:</b>				College of Arts and Letters					
<b>Major:</b>				Economics					
<b>Academic Standing:</b>				Good Standing					
<b>Additional Standing:</b>				Dean's List					
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Campus</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Quality Points</b>	<b>R</b>	

ARHI	24552	Angers, France	UG	History of French Art II	A-	3.000	11.001		
ECON	34773	Angers, France	UG	Econ Geography of France II	A	6.000	24.000		
ROFR	34302	Angers, France	UG	Advanced French	A	3.000	12.000		
ROFR	34710	Angers, France	UG	Survey of French Lit I	A	3.000	12.000		
Term Totals (Undergraduate)									
				Attempt Hours	Passed Hours	Earned Hours	GPA Hours	Quality Points	GPA
Current Term:				15.000	15.000	15.000	15.000	59.001	3.933
Cumulative:				61.000	61.000	61.000	60.000	206.997	3.450
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Fall Semester 2009									
College:				College of Arts and Letters					
Major:				Economics					
Academic Standing:				Good Standing					
Subject	Course	Campus	Level	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	R	
BAUG	20001	Main	UG	Accountancy I	P	3.000	0.000		
ECON	40330	Main	UG	Forecasting for Econ &Business	A-	3.000	11.001		
IIPS	43101	Main	UG	Peace Studies Senior Seminar	B+	3.000	9.999		
ROFR	40835	Main	UG	ContempFr& Francophone Fict	A-	3.000	11.001		
THEO	20835	Main	UG	The Church in the World	A	3.000	12.000		
Term Totals (Undergraduate)									
				Attempt Hours	Passed Hours	Earned Hours	GPA Hours	Quality Points	GPA
Current Term:				15.000	15.000	15.000	12.000	44.001	3.667
Cumulative:				76.000	76.000	76.000	72.000	250.998	3.486
*****									
Spring Semester 2010									

<b>College:</b>				College of Arts and Letters				
<b>Major:</b>				Economics				
<b>Academic Standing:</b>				Good Standing				
Subject	Course	Campus	Level	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	R
BAUG	20005	Main	UG	Corporate Finance Essentials	P	3.000	0.000	
ECON	43570	Main	UG	Economics and the Law	A	3.000	12.000	
GSC	20002	Main	UG	Introduction to Feminist and Gender Theory	A	3.000	12.000	
IIPS	20732	Main	UG	Theology, Culture and Human Rights	A	3.000	12.000	
ROFR	53000	Main	UG	SenSem	A-	3.000	11.001	
<b>Term Totals (Undergraduate)</b>								
				Attempt Hours	Passed Hours	Earned Hours	GPA Hours	Quality Points
<b>Current Term:</b>				15.000	15.000	15.000	12.000	47.001
<b>Cumulative:</b>				91.000	91.000	91.000	84.000	297.999
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				Attempt Hours	Passed Hours	Earned Hours	GPA Hours	Quality Points
<b>Total Institution:</b>				91.000	91.000	91.000	84.000	297.999
<b>Overall:</b>				176.000	176.000	176.000	84.000	297.999
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## NORTHWESTERN PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW

May 09, 2022

The Honorable John Bates  
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse  
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 4114  
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Bates:

I write to enthusiastically recommend Dominique Gilbert for a judicial clerkship in your chambers. As a Professor at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, I had the pleasure of working with Dominique who was enrolled in my Anti-Discrimination Law (ADL) course in the Fall of 2020. Dominique was a strong participant in class and we spoke on multiple occasions outside of class about her interests in practicing civil rights and in leading an impactful litigation career. ADL is a survey course that covers a variety of anti-discrimination legislation in the areas of general civil rights, housing, education, employment, voting, and disability. Before engaging with the statutes, we spend time reading and discussing various interpretive factors on the language of the law and the perspectives of the judges. In this respect, we explore the traditional methods of statutory interpretation, as well as the impact of sociology, psychology, and history. Prior to teaching, I was a civil rights litigator. The assignments were plentiful and required rigor and creativity.

In class, Dominique demonstrated the writing skills, analytical ability, and professionalism necessary to serve as an excellent judicial clerk. In ADL, the students learned the doctrinal law with a critical lens, understanding the law, its strengths and weaknesses, and thinking about how to strengthen it in light of those weaknesses. To demonstrate their abilities in this respect, one assignment positioned the students as judicial clerks writing a memo analyzing the likely outcome of a Rule 12(b)(6) motion to dismiss a complex civil rights complaint alleging individual and municipal Section 1983 claims, as well as other civil rights violations under section 1985, all arising out of law enforcement actions at a protest. Despite the natural inclination of many students to want to sustain the Complaint given the facts alleged, Dominique and her team convincingly concluded that the plaintiffs had not adequately pled the elements of the violations. In this assignment and in others in the class, Dominique was able to home in on the significant facts, analyze them under the prevailing law, and perform a thorough analysis. Even though she might not agree with the precedent, she understood the importance of following it, particularly to preserve the integrity of our judiciary and to signal to policymakers the need for reform.

Dominique deftly switched gears in a subsequent assignment that required students to identify an anti-discrimination law that they thought needed strengthening, to explain the reasons for that need, then to draft the statutory language and explain how that language would address the weakness. Dominique's paper proposed and analyzed applying a strict liability standard to antidiscrimination law where the burden started with the defendant. Dominique wrote a strong paper. My constructive feedback was that she tried to do too much in response to an open-ended, but limited assignment.

These assignments reveal Dominique's strengths in objective analysis and broad vision in her inquiries. These skills fit well in the environment of chambers and a clerkship. She willingly dives into a topic, maintains the proper lens of analysis, and manages her responsibilities. Equally reflective of this is that the course readings were extensive and the assignments frequent, thus I know that she can readily manage and maintain focus in a heavy caseload with frequent deadlines.

While managing the hefty readings, primarily of federal cases and academic articles from the law and other disciplines, one also needed a sensitivity to difficult conversations. Dominique was prepared for class in both regards, and her contributions were invaluable. She brought a unique perspective given her background, demonstrated a solid grasp of the law, was a good listener, and added thoughtful and insightful comments. She connected with her colleagues despite our entire semester being held remotely.

More specifically, her work experience at a federal law enforcement agency seemed to instill in her a rule abidance, a passion for reform, and an inclination towards pragmatism. She was one of the students who could not entirely shake "Professor Zimmerman" despite permission to call me "Cliff." Some of her demonstrated strong work ethic and maturity can be attributed to this experience. Rarely do I encounter a law student who has had such close involvement with law enforcement operations, a background which once formally in the legal profession will help to break down silos and reveal tangible reforms.

Dominique has also demonstrated a commitment to public service, as reflected in her service as President of Northwestern's ACLU, one of the largest student groups on campus. She was integral in creating a panel, "Dismantling Systems that Oppress Persons with Disabilities," that increased the law school's attention to this area. As a leader in the law school community, Dominique is working to augment disability law considerations in the curriculum at Northwestern and to increase accessibility in the classrooms and our societal institutions generally. As but one example, the Disability Law Society has added study options for students with disabilities.

I enthusiastically recommend Dominique for a clerkship in your chambers. Her key strengths will complement those you seek in your clerks and your chambers, as a whole, will benefit. If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Respectfully,

Clifford Zimmerman  
Professor of Practice  
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

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May 09, 2022

The Honorable John Bates  
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse  
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 4114  
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Bates:

I write to recommend Dominique Gilbert as a clerk with your chambers. Ms. Gilbert worked as a summer associate at our firm in 2020. She worked under my supervision, and I had an opportunity to observe her legal and interpersonal skills over several months.

By way of background, I founded and run our firm's Freedom of Information Act and transparency practice following a six-year career litigating intellectual property cases at Kirkland & Ellis in Chicago, preceded by a clerkship with Magistrate Judge Morton Denlow in the Northern District of Illinois. I also served while in law school as a summer-long extern for Justice Michael Gallagher on the Illinois Appellate Court and a semester-long extern for Judge Ruben Castillo in the Northern District of Illinois.

Ms. Gilbert worked on a variety of projects while working as a summer associate. For example, she researched and wrote the first draft of a summary judgment brief in support of our claim against the Federal Bureau of Prisons in which our client sought the release of records about the use of death penalty drugs. This included both complex and novel statutory construction arguments about the threshold requirements of the asserted exemptions and arguments about the adequacy of the government's affidavits in support of its exemption claims. Her work was clear and well-written, intelligent, and delivered in a timely manner. She sought guidance appropriately, recognizing times in which an answer to a quick preliminary question would save significant potentially wasted time while keeping ownership over her work and without requiring excessive supervision.

Ms. Gilbert also worked on both research projects and brief-writing for a statutory construction issue in state False Claims Act case, a right of access to federal judicial records matter, a 50-state survey on the deliberative process exemption, and other FOIA and transparency matters. This included both long-term projects that required her to manage her time carefully, and smaller short turnaround projects assisting in briefs being written by others. Her work was consistently above average and we relied on it heavily.

Ms. Gilbert was also a wonderful team member. Our team is approximately the size of a typical federal court chambers, and similarly includes both lawyers and support staff. We work together as a dedicated team and spend a lot of time together, which in the summer of 2020 was with the challenges of shifting to a video-conference environment. We all enjoyed working with and getting to know Ms. Gilbert. She has a positive and committed attitude, was always quick to pitch in when needed, and formed great relationships with everyone on the team. She also interfaced with clients with a professionalism and presence that exceeded her level of experience.

I have worked with many summer associates both at Loevy and at Kirkland, as well as judicial externs while clerking, and Ms. Gilbert was an above-average performer with great maturity and commitment to her work, which is particularly impressive given that Ms. Gilbert worked at our firm after her first year of law school. I am confident she would make an excellent law clerk.

Sincerely,

Matthew Topic

Matthew Topic - matt@loevy.com - 312-243-5900



**NORTHWESTERN PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW**

May 09, 2022

The Honorable John Bates  
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse  
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 4114  
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Bates:

I am writing to recommend my student, Dominique Gilbert, for a clerkship position in your chambers. I am the J. Landis Martin Professor of Law & Business at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, where I also serve as the Director of the San Francisco Immersion Program (SFIP). I have an Affiliated Faculty appointment with Ford Motor Company Center for Global Citizenship and a courtesy appointment as a Professor of Business Law at Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management. In addition to a JD, I hold a PhD in Business.

I got to know Dominique when she participated in the San Francisco program which I direct (and teach in) in 2021. In that semester program, she was a student in my High-Tech Practicum class, in which I oversaw her externship with a technology space company in the Bay Area. She and I spoke on multiple occasions in and outside of class about her career. In these capacities, I gleaned perspectives on her analytical skills, work ethic, professionalism, and personality.

Through the San Francisco Immersion Program, Northwestern Law offers a unique opportunity for students to learn hands-on about the legal issues facing companies and regarding innovation. Dominique embraced this opportunity. She reported that considering current cases in a dynamic environment resonated with her more so than the traditional law school model. I believe her nine years of work experience also contributed to a preference for real work.

Dominique's background in trade and national security in the federal government proved to be an asset to her internship with the space company. The legal team assigned to her the task of creating an export control training program. It was a significant undertaking to examine voluminous regulations from the Department of Commerce, Department of State, and other federal agencies and then apply them to highly specialized chemical and aerospace engineering and technology. Her supervisor reported that she did a great job and that her final product was clear, instructive, and succinct. In addition to this long-term program, she completed weekly assignments in various areas of commercial law for the company that was growing quickly and had recently become public after a SPAC merger.

The class she took with me, High Technology Practicum, accounted for 3 hours in the classroom and 15 hours at an externship every week. She also turned in weekly assignments, and a final group project – all "A" quality. In class, Dominique asked thoughtful questions in class. She supplemented her sense of seriousness for the class content with a friendly and approachable personality. She worked on a team for the final project in the course and I know she showed leadership in completing the group project, an excellent one at that. In addition to this class, she took seven other courses for the maximum amount of credits allowed. Dominique's decision to take classes in space law and commerce, and social entrepreneurship, in the program demonstrated to me vision, intellectual curiosity, and a passion to address challenging and emerging questions related to social welfare. I admire her curiosity about new ideas and passion for building a better status quo.

In short, Dominique Gilbert will be a great addition to your team. She can research and write at high levels, she is a supportive team member, and she is dedicated to her mission. Her contributions will be valued and appreciated. Please give her serious consideration, and feel free to contact me if I can offer any more insight.

Respectfully,

Emerson H. Tiller  
J. Landis Martin Professor of Law & Business  
Director, San Francisco Immersion Program  
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

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**Applicant Details**

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**Applicant Education**

BA/BS From **Ohio Wesleyan University**  
 Date of BA/BS **May 2017**  
 JD/LLB From **University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law**  
[http://www.nalplawsonline.org/ndlsdir\\_search\\_results.asp?lscd=52102&yr=2011](http://www.nalplawsonline.org/ndlsdir_search_results.asp?lscd=52102&yr=2011)  
 Date of JD/LLB **May 10, 2022**  
 Class Rank **50%**  
 Does the law school have a Law Review/Journal? **Yes**  
 Law Review/Journal **No**  
 Moot Court Experience **Yes**  
 Moot Court Name(s) **International Moot Court Team**

## **Bar Admission**

## **Prior Judicial Experience**

Judicial Internships/Externships	<b>No</b>
Post-graduate Judicial Law Clerk	<b>No</b>

## **Specialized Work Experience**

**This applicant has certified that all data entered in this profile and any application documents are true and correct.**

**V. Isabelle Sturgill**

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May 4, 2022

Senior Judge John D. Bates  
United States District Court for the District of Columbia  
333 Constitution Avenue N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Senior Judge Bates:

I am currently in my third and final year at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. I am interested in beginning my legal career as a law clerk in your chambers for the 2022-2023 term.

My application is strongly supported by my stellar research and writing abilities. In the Fall of 2021, I worked as a law clerk at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Commercial Law Development Program, on the Energy Transition Team. My main project involved extensive research that I later intertwined to create a 20-page written Green Bond guide for the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority. The guide went on to serve as the basis of a technical assistance program in Sri Lanka. Additionally, this past summer at Enterprise Community Partners I found relevant research on a variety of topics that were new to me. I then clearly communicated my analyses through written work, and orally to senior attorneys. Furthermore, as a student attorney in Maryland's Immigration Clinic I co-wrote a 25-page written brief based upon my case law and country conditions research. The brief was submitted to an Immigration Judge, and our client was granted asylum. Lastly, I have refined my writing and analytical skills as a competitor in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot this semester.

My prior work experience also required me to employ my analytical skills. It was crucial in both of my prior roles to analyze what was needed for each project to reach the desired outcome. Additionally, my work always included an element of problem-solving and knowing when to work alone or with my team. Lastly, both of my prior roles required me to stay very organized to accomplish a lot of tasks while being extremely detailed, to meet deadlines set by myself and my supervisor.

I welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss my potential contribution to your chambers for the 2022-2023 term. Thank you for your time, Senior Judge Bates.

Sincerely,  
V. Isabelle Sturgill

**V. Isabelle Sturgill**

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**EDUCATION**

**University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law**, Baltimore, MD

Juris Doctor Candidate, May 2022

**GPA:** 3.30

**Certifications:** Lexis+ Proficient Research Certification

**Activities:** Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Oralist | SBA Executive Board Member | Peer Advisor | ABA International Law Section Student Representative |

**Ohio Wesleyan University**, Delaware, OH

Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration, May 2017

**GPA:** 3.57

**Honors:** Dean's List | Gamma Sigma Alpha | Omicron Delta Kappa | Sigma Beta Delta

**Activities:** Legacy Intern | Order of Omega | Mortar Board | Delta Delta Delta, Vice President of Finance

**Study Abroad:** University of Saint Andrews: Scotland, UK

**EXPERIENCE**

**U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Commercial Law Development Program** | Washington D.C.

*Energy Transition Team Law Clerk* | September 2021 – December 2021

- Created a guide focused on the issuance of green bonds, that will serve as the basis of a technical assistance program for the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority.
- Created presentations on power transmission financing in Sub-Saharan Africa, that will serve as educational tools for technical assistance programs.

**Enterprise Community Partners** | Columbia, MD

*Legal Intern* | June 2021 – August 2021

- Managed title and survey work for real estate closings nationally
- Researched and analyzed numerous legal issues to incorporate into legal memoranda and litigation preparation
- Drafted and communicated legal research findings to relevant stakeholders at the organization

**University of Maryland Carey School of Law Immigration Clinic** | Baltimore, MD

*Student Attorney* | January 2021 – April 2021

- Collected and filed evidence for submission to the court
- Co-wrote and submitted various motions over the course of representation
- Researched case law and country conditions to co-write a 25-page brief for client's asylum claim
- Interviewed client and witnesses to create affidavits and declarations for client's submission to the court
- Prepared for and represented client in their asylum hearing, asylum was granted

**The Office of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City** | Baltimore, MD

*Legal Intern, Narcotics Unit* | June 2020 – July 2020

- Analyzed case facts to create indictment and grand jury summary
- Analyzed bodycam footage for potential Fourth Amendment Issues, incorporated into written work
- Researched Fourth amendment issues surrounding arrest, incorporated into written work

**Shawnee Counseling Center** | Portsmouth, OH

*Marketing Director / Public Relations Coordinator* | March 2019 – August 2019

- Implemented a marketing plan utilizing public outreach, open events, radio, newspaper, and social media for an all-male drug and alcohol rehabilitation center
- Facilitated public relations to benefit the counseling center and its clients

**Smith's Pharmacy and Home Medical** | Portsmouth, OH

*Business Operations Coordinator* | January 2019 – August 2019

- Developed and implemented marketing tactics across three pharmacies and a home medical business
- Assisted the COO with hiring and supervising various positions
- Created an intern program to host pharmacy students from local universities
- Created an employee appreciation program across all four businesses to boost morale

**Columbus Bar Association** | Columbus, OH

**CLE Program Coordinator** | August 2017 – January 2019

- Developed and implement continuing education for attorneys and other professionals
- Identified target groups to market topic specific continuing legal education programs to
- Responsible for the upkeep of the continuing legal education website, and online program platform

**SP+ | Columbus, Ohio**

*Administrative Assistant* | June 2017 – August 2017

- Assisted senior managers with planning and completing specialized projects
- Solved customer's requests while employing problem solving skills
- Reconciled monthly reports to reflect correct charges
- Managed accounts payable and accounts receivable payments

**Cooking Matters** | Delaware, Ohio

*Coordinator Intern* | August 2016 – May 2017

- Planned a series of 6 weekly classes to benefit "food insecure" individuals ages 14-70
- Held responsibility for administrative duties and logistics of the course
- Managed participant expectations and interests throughout the course

**Human Connections** | Bucerías, Mexico

*Social Entrepreneurship and Sustainable Development Intern* | December 2016 – January 2017

- Wrote a news article in English for publication to promote our client's business
- Collaborated with an interprofessional team to improve an entrepreneur's brand identity and consumer outreach practices in a sustainable way

**SP+ | Columbus, Ohio**

*Operations Intern* | June 2016 – August 2016

- Collaborated to create a training manual for future employee orientations
- Created and presented a service delivery model pertaining to the company
- Assisted senior managers with planning and completing specialized projects

**Ohio Wesleyan University Admissions Office** | Delaware, Ohio

*Tour Guide* | December 2016 – May 2017

**Delta Delta Delta Fraternity** | Delaware, Ohio

*Vice President of Finance* | August 2016 - January 2017

**Smiths Pharmacy and Home Medical** | Portsmouth, Ohio

*Pharmacy Clerk* | June 2012 - December 2016

**Carpenter Lipps & Leland LLP** | Columbus, Ohio

*Extern* | October 2017

**Ohio Wesleyan University Registrar's Office** | Delaware, Ohio

*Legacy Intern* | August 2015 - December 2015

**Creative Foundations** | Delaware, Ohio

*Team Member* | September 2014 - September 2015

**Northwest Mutual** | Columbus, Ohio

*Extern* | October 2014

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

- **Rotary International**, *Member*, February 2019 – August 2019
- **Youth Boxing Center**, *Board Member*, January 2019 – August 2019
  - Wrote a \$17,000 grant for the youth center that was awarded.
- **Dress for Success**, *Volunteer*, August 2017 – January 2019
- **Legal Aid Society**, *Clinic Intake Volunteer*, August 2016 – January 2019
- **Southern Ohio Medical Center**, *Volunteer* May 2015 - August 2015

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### Transcript Data

#### STUDENT INFORMATION

**Name :** Virginia I. Sturgill

#### Curriculum Information

##### Current Program

Juris Doctor

**Program:** Law Day

**Major and Department:** Law, Law

**Major Concentration:** Law Cardin Required

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#### DEGREES AWARDED

**In** Juris Doctor      **Degree Date:**

**Progress:**

#### Curriculum Information

##### Primary Degree

**Major:** Law

**Major Concentration:** Law Cardin Required

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**Term: Fall 2019**

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**Academic Standing:**

Subject	Course	Level	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	Start and End Dates	R
LAW	506A	LW	CRIMINAL LAW	C+	3.000	6.99		
LAW	527A	LW	CIVIL PROCEDURE	B	4.000	12.00		
LAW	531A	LW	LEGAL ANALYSIS AND WRITING	B	3.000	9.00		
LAW	535A	LW	TORTS	A	4.000	16.00		
LAW	554A	LW	INTRO TO CONTRACTS	C+	2.000	4.66		
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA</b>	<b>Quality GPA</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				16.000	16.000	16.000	16.000	48.65 3.04
<b>Cumulative:</b>				16.000	16.000	16.000	16.000	48.65 3.04

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**Term: Spring 2020**

**Academic Standing:**

Subject	Course	Level	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	Start and End Dates	R
LAW	503C	LW	INTERNATIONAL LAW	P	3.000	0.00		
LAW	528A	LW	CON LAW I: GOVERNANCE	P	3.000	0.00		
LAW	534A	LW	PROPERTY	P	4.000	0.00		
LAW	550A	LW	INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL RESEARCH	B-	1.000	2.67		
LAW	551E	LW	WRITTEN AND ORAL ADVOCACY	P	2.000	0.00		
LAW	558A	LW	CONTRACTS II	P	3.000	0.00		
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA</b>	<b>Quality GPA</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				16.000	16.000	16.000	1.000	2.67 2.67
<b>Cumulative:</b>				32.000	32.000	32.000	17.000	51.32 3.02

Unofficial Transcript

**Term: Fall 2020**

**Academic Standing:**

Subject	Course	Level	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	Start and End Dates	R
LAW	529A	LW	CON LAW II: INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS	A-	3.000	11.01		
LAW	558D	LW	LEGAL PROFESSION	B	2.000	6.00		
LAW	572C	LW	BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS	B+	3.000	9.99		
LAW	583R	LW	INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION	CR	2.000	0.00		
LAW	595B	LW	IMMIGRATION LAW	B+	3.000	9.99		
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA</b>	<b>Quality GPA</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				13.000	13.000	13.000	11.000	36.99 3.36
<b>Cumulative:</b>				45.000	45.000	45.000	28.000	88.31 3.15



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Term: Spring 2021

Academic Standing:

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LAW	504C	LW	INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT	CR	2.000	0.00		I
LAW	506C	LW	INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS TRANS	B+	3.000	9.99		
LAW	525K	LW	IMMIGRATION CLINIC	A	7.000	28.00		
LAW	596Q	LW	ALR: EMERGENCY & CRISIS MGMT	B	1.000	3.00		
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA Hours</b>	<b>Quality GPA Points</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				13.000	13.000	13.000	11.000	40.99
<b>Cumulative:</b>				58.000	58.000	58.000	39.000	129.30

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Term: Summer 2021

Academic Standing:

Subject	Course	Level	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	Start and End Dates	R
LAW	528S	LW	EXTERNSHIP / ASPER WORKSHOP	CR	1.000	0.00		
LAW	579B	LW	EXTERNSHIPS	CR	5.000	0.00		I
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA Hours</b>	<b>Quality GPA Points</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				6.000	6.000	6.000	0.000	0.00
<b>Cumulative:</b>				64.000	64.000	64.000	39.000	129.30

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Term: Fall 2021

Academic Standing:

Subject	Course	Level	Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality Points	Start and End Dates	R
LAW	501F	LW	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW	B+	3.000	9.99		
LAW	504C	LW	INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT	CR	2.000	0.00		I
LAW	533S	LW	BUS LAW EXTERNSHIP WORKSHOP	A	1.000	4.00		
LAW	562R	LW	INTL TAX: CROSS BORDER TRANS	B-	2.000	5.34		
LAW	579B	LW	EXTERNSHIPS	CR	4.000	0.00		I
				<b>Attempt Hours</b>	<b>Passed Hours</b>	<b>Earned Hours</b>	<b>GPA Hours</b>	<b>Quality GPA Points</b>
<b>Current Term:</b>				12.000	12.000	12.000	6.000	19.33
<b>Cumulative:</b>				76.000	76.000	76.000	45.000	148.63

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<b>Total Transfer:</b>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.00	0.00
<b>Overall:</b>	76.000	76.000	76.000	45.000	148.63	3.30

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**COURSES IN PROGRESS** [-Top-](#)

**Term: Spring 2022**

Subject	Course	Level	Title	Credit Hours	Start and End Dates
LAW	504C	LW	INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT	2.000	
LAW	519D	LW	COMMERCIAL LAW: SECURED TRANS	3.000	
LAW	559B	LW	ELS: GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW	3.000	
LAW	569S	LW	BAR EXAM PREPARATION COURSE	3.000	

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**RELEASE: 8.7.1**



September 28, 2021

**Re: Letter of Recommendation – V. Isabelle Sturgill**

I had the pleasure of supervising Isabelle Strugill's 2021 summer internship with Enterprise Community Investment, Inc.'s legal department. I highly recommend Isabelle for a judicial clerkship position based on the outstanding personal, intellectual and professional qualities she has demonstrated during her time with Enterprise.

I offer my perspective not only as Isabelle's supervisor, but also as someone who cherishes the opportunities I had that allowed me to pursue a career as a public interest attorney, and hence want to see rising leaders like Isabelle pursue this career path.

Enterprise and its affiliates are involved in many projects both within and around the country. As a legal intern, Isabelle assisted the legal department in all phases of our work. This included assistance in preparation for and at various real estate closings, both involving the transfer of title and construction financing, researching and writing memos on a variety of legal issues, such as multistate tax credit compliance, property management best practices and the Fair Housing Act. Isabelle was a quick study whose contributions helped us make important decisions about our business lines' daily dealings. Isabelle displays an impeccable attention to detail, inherent curiosity and resourcefulness, enthusiasm and commitment to the task that is recognized by her colleagues. Isabelle continues to surpass my expectations and perform top quality work.

Additionally, I want to emphasize several personal qualities that make Isabelle stand out among her peers, including her ability to get along very well with her colleagues, the poise and self-assuredness she displays in her interactions with others and her strong interest in and commitment to Enterprise's mission and the challenges faced by low-income individuals and families.

I expect that Isabelle will be a very successful lawyer.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I may be reached at (212) 284-7114 or at [gbayarin@enterprisecommunity.com](mailto:gbayarin@enterprisecommunity.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gail Bayarin".

Gail Bayarin  
Associate General Counsel

April 4, 2022

Dear Your Honor:

It is my pleasure to submit this recommendation letter in support of Virginia (Isabelle) Sturgill's application for a judicial clerkship. I am a Senior Attorney for the Energy Transition Team at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) and practiced for 12 years as a project development and finance attorney in the Washington DC office of Latham & Watkins LLP before joining CLDP. I was Isabelle's supervisor during her Fall 2022 externship with my team. In short, Isabelle is a quick study, extremely hardworking, and personable. I strongly support her candidacy for a judicial clerkship in your chambers.

On her primary project during her externship, Isabelle led the research and writing for an introduction to green bonds and legal analysis of potential legal barriers to their issuance under Sri Lankan law. This memorandum formed the basis for an ongoing technical assistance program for the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority. Isabelle also created educational presentations on the topic of power transmission financing in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Both project topics were new subject areas to Isabelle; in fact, Isabelle had no background in energy or finance when taking on the externship. Despite her initial knowledge gap, Isabelle took ownership of each assignment, getting up to speed on the issues and background and identifying (correctly) the more relevant areas in which to dive deeper. In order to complete her second assignment, Isabelle had to distill and synthesize complicated information – all of which was new to her – and present it in the most effective way possible to encourage understanding and retention for non-legal audiences. Isabelle went above and beyond the call of duty during her time at CLDP, working outside her regularly-scheduled hours when necessary, to complete her assignments.

Isabelle's ability to not only master new topics in a short period but also to distill such information for audiences unfamiliar with such topics, should serve her particularly well in a judicial clerkship. I understand that clerks work on widely disparate cases, frequently in areas of law they never studied in law school, and they must master that material on abbreviated time schedule. Once they've done *that*, their legal memoranda or draft opinions must be concise, well-reasoned and, above all, clear. Isabelle demonstrated at CLDP that she is more than up to this task.

I was highly impressed with Isabelle's performance during a part-time externship. Indeed, I was not the only person at CLDP whom Isabelle impressed. Colleagues on my team said Isabelle was the best legal intern with whom they'd ever worked. It was clear to me during her time at CLDP that Isabelle embraces challenges, and I am certain she would do so in your chambers as well.

I believe Isabelle would make a impactful and effective law clerk. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me at SLogan@doc.gov or 202-482-4168 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

*Suzanne M. Logan*

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May 05, 2022

The Honorable John Bates  
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse  
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 4114  
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Bates:

I am an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law writing to recommend Virginia (Isabelle) Sturgill for a clerkship in your chambers. Isabelle was a student in my Business Associations class in Fall 2020 in my International Business Transactions Seminar class in Spring 2021. Isabelle is a genuine and driven law student. She would make a wonderful law clerk.

Isabelle's Business Associations exam, which received a B+, was a solid effort. She demonstrated a good understanding of some of the foundational concepts governing the laws of business associations. Her writing ability is excellent, and her analytical abilities show tremendous potential for growth.

I've gotten to know Isabelle better as a student in my International Business Associations seminar. While she is not the most outspoken, when she does talk, she always has something insightful and thoughtful to contribute to the group. I've also had the opportunity chat with Isabelle individually through virtual office visits. She is creative, smart, and ambitious in her outlook. Her seminar paper highlights her ambition and dedication for a work product. Her paper, "U.S. Businesses Seeking To And Conducting Business In China Are Limited By The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act" excavates the history and purpose of The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, and persuasively demonstrates how the FCPA privileges U.S. businesses doing business in China to have certain culture exceptions for gifts under the FCPA. Isabelle really immersed herself into the research project, being able to synthesize difficult case law and aptly applying them to business practices on the ground in contemporary China.

On a personal note, Isabelle is down-to-earth and professional. She would gain tremendous knowledge serving as a law clerk would be an asset to her aspiration to launch a career in business litigation.

If you would like additional information regarding Isabelle, please do not hesitate to contact me at 203.392.4466 (cell) or at [wmoon@law.umaryland.edu](mailto:wmoon@law.umaryland.edu).

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